[Translation]

Gama Nailing System

200. SHRI DADA BABURAO PARANJPE: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware that the 'Gama Nailing System' has given magical results in the treatment of pelvic bone in comparison to the traditional treatment methods; and

(b) if so, the steps the Government are contemplating for its wider use and for propagating and popularising this method?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY): (a) and (b) Gama Nailing System is being used in the country selectively in the treatment of fractures of the femur. There are no authentic reports of the impact of its use in the treatment of pelvic bone disorders.

[English]

Elections to Urban Local Bodies

201. SHRI JAGMOHAN: Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of States where elections to the urban local bodies has not been held after implementation of the 74th Constitutional Amendment; and

(b) the steps proposed to be taken to ensure that the process of elections is completed within a specified time in these States?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) As per information available, elections to Urban Local Bodies in the Bihar State is yet to be held as per Constitution (74th Amendment) Act.

(b) The elections to Urban Local Bodies in Bihar are held up due to Court Case. The State Government has informed that the elections to Urban Local Bodies will be held after a decision in the above case.

[Translation]

Pending Scheme

202. SHRI N.J. RATHWA: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) the number of schemes received from Gujarat Government for approval and are lying pending with the Union Government for clearance as on date;

(b) the number of schemes out of the above schemes relate to adivasi/rural areas;

(c) the latest position of these schemes; and

(d) the time by which these schemes are likely to be cleared?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND PROGRAMME IMPLEMENTATION (SHRIMATI RATNMALA D. SAVANOOR): (a) There are eleven schemes, from Government of Gujarat, pending with the Central Goverment for its approval.

(b) Out of eleven schemes, four relate to tribal areas, four relate to Drought Prone Area and the other three are regarding watershed and comprehensive agriculture development.

(c) The lastest postion about the above schemes are given in the attached Statement.

(d) The clearance of the schemes pending depends on the promptness of the State Government in replying the querries raised by the Central Ministries.

Statement

Status of the various schemes of Government of Gujarat pending for of approval of Central Government

1. **Mod. of Machhu-I Irrigation: Cost Rs. 11.12 Crore:**

   The project has been techno-economically appraised by Central Water Commission (CWC) and considered by the Advisory Committee in August 1993 and found acceptable subject to Environment clearance and concurrence of State Finance Department. The Technical Advisory Committee's observations have been sent to the State Government. The State Government is to expedite details and approach for Environmental clearance.

2. **UND-II Irrigation Project: Cost Rs. 38.94 Crore:**

   The modified project report along with State's compliance and revised cost estimates has been received in December 1991. Again, it was reported by the State Govt. that the scope of project was being revised and accordingly, cost estimates was to be revised. The State Govt. has thus been asked to submit the latest estimates of the project.

3. **Goma Irrigation Project: Cost Rs. 47.58 Crore:**

   The project has been considered and cleared by Advisory Committee in February 1997, subject to the concurrence of State Finance Department. Reply awaited from the State Govt.

4. **Ozat-II Water Resources: Cost Rs. 59.73 Crore:**

   The scheme was received in October 1993 and comments of the Central Water Commission was sent to the State Govt. in April 1996. The State Govt. representative informed that the compliance of CWC observations would be sent shortly. However, information from the State is awaited.

5. **Restoration of Mitti Irrigation: Cost Rs. 14.51 Crore:**

   This scheme was earlier approved by Planning Com-